



Clover News

National 4-H Week

Join 4-H in celebrating National 4-H Week October 2 - 8! This is a great time to ignite your spark in this organization. The theme this year is Opportunity 4 All. The Stem challenge kit for this year is the Explorers of the Deep, designed by Rutgers University. This year's kit focuses on the mysteries and ocean exploration with robots. The three activities develop observational and critical thinking skills while exploring the interconnected nature between the ocean and humans, regardless of where they live. To learn more please visit 4-h.org or contact me, Erin Morgan by phone: 757-678-7946 ext. 15 or by email emorgan2@vt.edu.

4-H Camp



Northampton 4-H would like to thank everyone who attended camp this past summer. It was a hot week, but we feel everyone had a wonderful time learning new skills, making new friends and connecting with friends from past years. We are looking forward to another exciting week of camp next summer. Once dates for next summer are decided we will start advertising for teen counselors and counselors in training, more than likely in the November/December newsletter. Camp registration for campers will begin on April 1, 2023.

School Enrichment

It is looking like the 2022/2023 school year is off to a great start! Northampton 4-H would like to remind teachers, and school administrators that

4-H has a wide range of school based curriculum available free of charge. Curriculum is developed at the land grant universities Virginia Tech and Virginia State in VA, however we do have access to materials from all the land grant universities from across the USA. All curriculum is research based and pilot tested. Teachers please contact me should you need a hands-on lesson for your classroom. If 4-H is unable to honor your request, I am sure I can point you to someone who can assist!

Northampton Cooperative Extension is looking forward to hosting public, private, and homeschool groups at the Northampton Farm Field Day on Sept. 21. This a program geared toward third grade students to educate them on where their food comes from in a hands-on way. In addition to the Farm Field Day, Northampton 4-H is looking forward to offering pumpkin mania to all the schools in Northampton County. This program is geared to second grade students and incorporates math and science skills using pumpkins. Any school or teacher who would like to have 4-H come to the school to conduct pumpkin mania please contact me 757-678-7946 ext. 15 or email emorgan2@vt.edu.

Agricultural Fair

The Eastern Shore Agricultural Fair is being held this fall! This event will take place on October 8, 2022, on the grounds of the old middle school in Machipongo. There are several competitions available to youth. One is the youth poster competition being conducted by 4-H. All youth are invited to design a poster on what agriculture/aquaculture mean to the Eastern Shore. There is also a photography competition and a baking competition. Both of these are open to youth and adults. For more information or to pre-register to enter any of these competitions please visit: <https://www.esvachamber.org/esvaagfair>.

Shooting Sports

Northampton 4-H would like to congratulate all the new members of the Northampton 4-H Shooting Sports club. We are excited to have so many youth interested in participating in this club. We would also like to congratulate all the members who attended the State shoot Sept. 9 - 11 at Holiday Lake 4-H Center. Members had a wonderful time and did an amazing job representing Northampton County. Even had a member place third in the state! I am very excited to see how this club has come along and for all they have already accomplished and will accomplish in the future!

Volunteers Needed

The Eastern Shore Agricultural Fair is in need of volunteers to help ensure the event is a success! This would be a great opportunity for teens in need of community service hours or adults who like to assist with community events. Volunteers are needed to assist with the children's area, to assist with competitions, to serve as runners for various events/activities, etc. If this sounds like something that would be of interest to you, please reach out to myself or Ursula Deitch, Northampton Agricultural Agent. You can reach us by calling the Northampton Extension Office at 757-678-7946 or by email: emorgan2@vt.edu or utankard@vt.edu.

Teens

Thank you to all who served as camp counselors and CITs this past summer for summer camp. I really appreciate all the hard work you put into making summer camp a success. There is no way we could do it with out each and everyone of you! For those interested in serving as counselors or CITs next year, please be on the lookout for more information in the next edition of the "Clover News".

If any of you are interested or are in need of community service hours, please let me know. I am in

need of a teen or two who is willing to help at the Agricultural Fair. 4-H is in charge of the poster competition and I could use help getting posters hung, we will also have a booth/display set up at the event and it would be great to have a few teens at the table to explain what 4-H is, and maybe showcase a few 4-H activities. If this is something you would be interested in helping with and gaining a few community service hours, please let me know.

Congratulations to Lauryn Taylor and Shania McCaskill on graduating from Northampton High School. We are going to miss you next year!

Notes from the 4-H Agent

I am excited for the new 4-H year and looking forward to an amazing 2022/2023 year in 4-H! There are lots of events planned for this fall and I am looking for a few holiday ideas for this winter. There might even be a winter break workshop or two this year! Anyone with ideas or interested in helping please let me know!

Be sure to check the Northampton Facebook page for updates or email me emorgan2@vt.edu or call the office 757-678-7946 ext. 15

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If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Erin Morgan at the Northampton County Extension Office at 757.678.7946 ext.15 during business hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event.

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